

# Railroading In Philately

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# The Very, Very First

- ...train on a US stamp was created in 1844 for a local business, the "Wyman Post Office" which was established in Boston to carry locally posted mail between Boston and New York City.
- The train shown is thought to be a passenger car and locomotive which is of indeterminate type, although faintly resembling the U.S. "Brother Jonathan."
  - Stamps were sold 20 for \$1.00 or singly for 6 cents each.





# The Next First(s) -



New Brunswick (Sc. #6), 1860, is generally recognized as the world's first government-issued postage stamp showing a train. (Varieties exist)

4-4-0 loco No. 12, "The Prince of Wales" & baggage car, European & North American Railway.

Peru (Sc. #19), 1871, is generally recognized as the world's first commemorative train stamp. Issued for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first railway in South America. (Varieties exist)



# (Some of the) First U.S. Train Stamps



1869



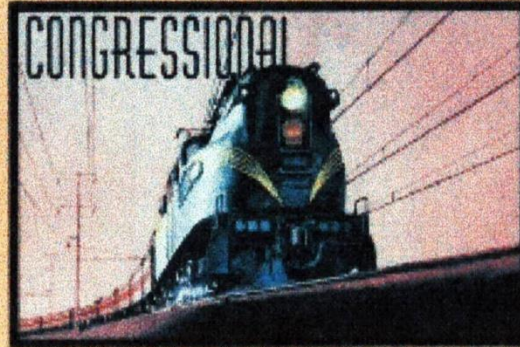
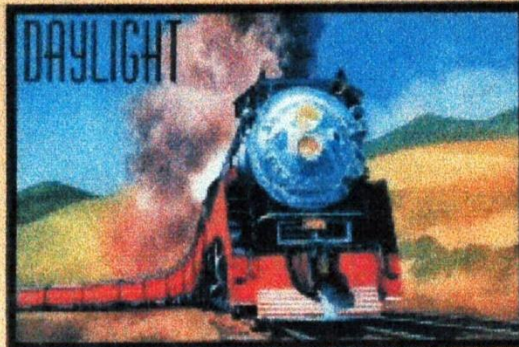
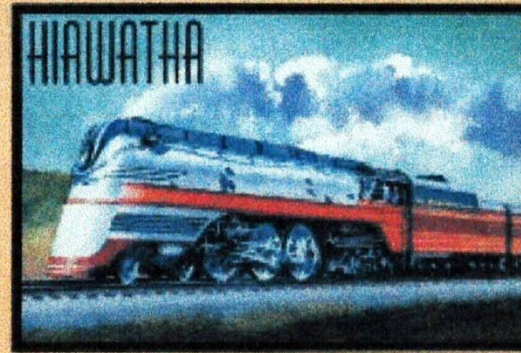
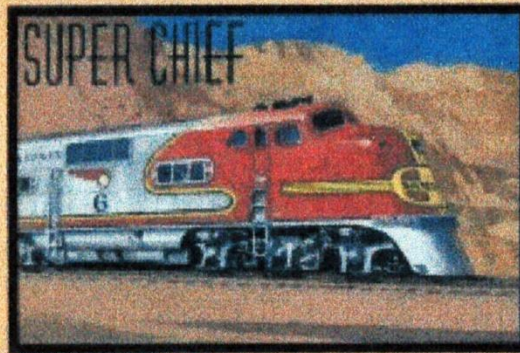
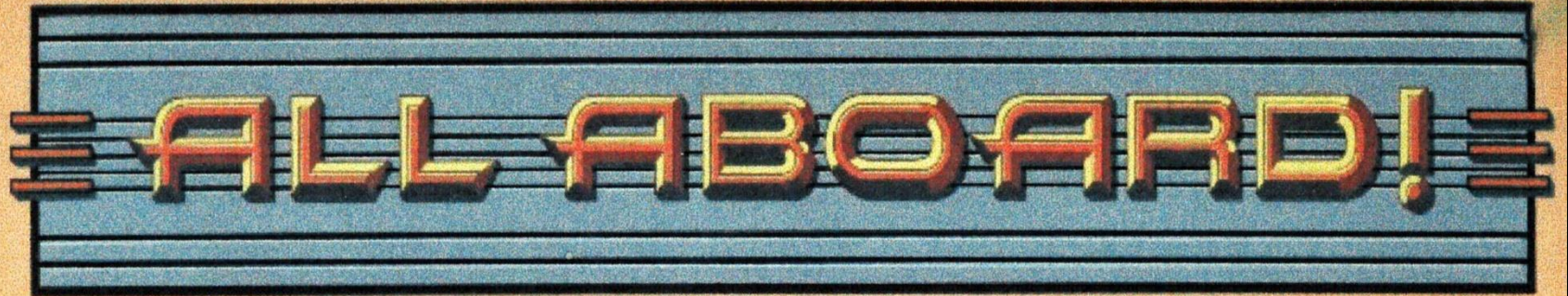
1901



1944



# Stamps with Trains from Country of Origin





- Single Stamps



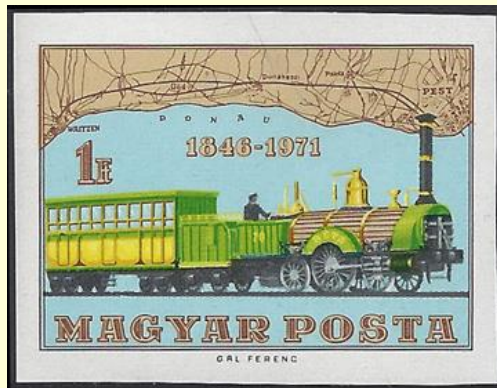
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- Single stamps



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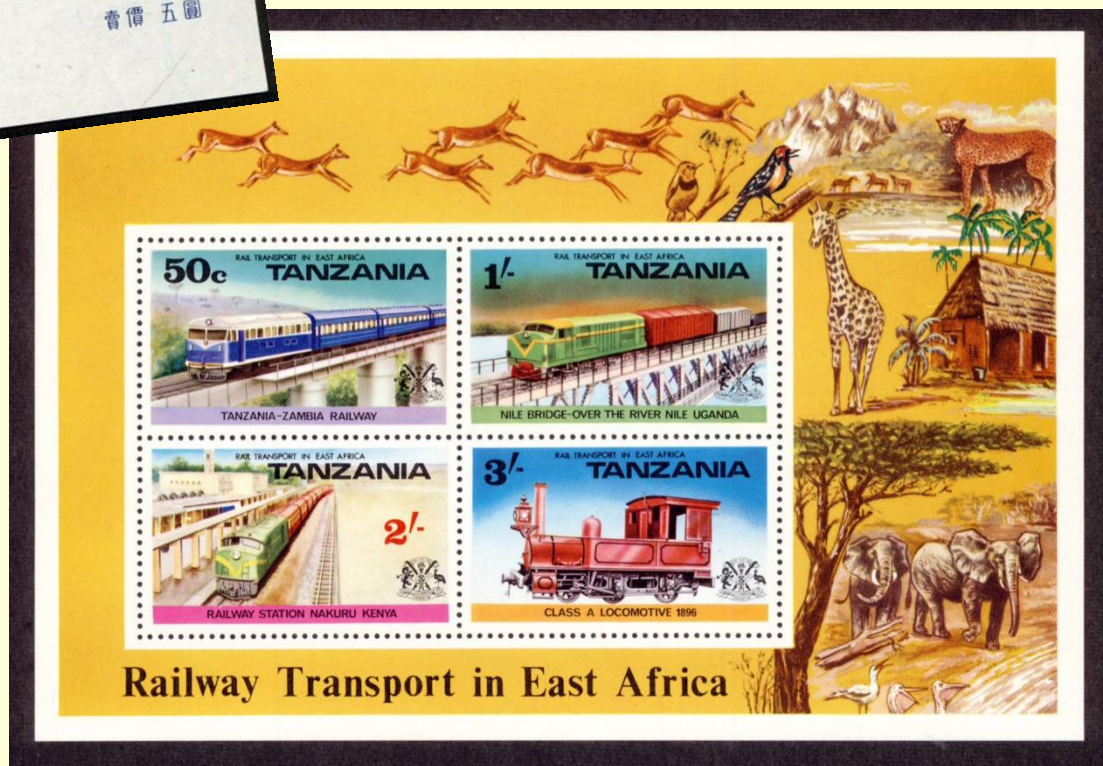
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- Souvenir Sheets





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- Se-Tenant and Sets

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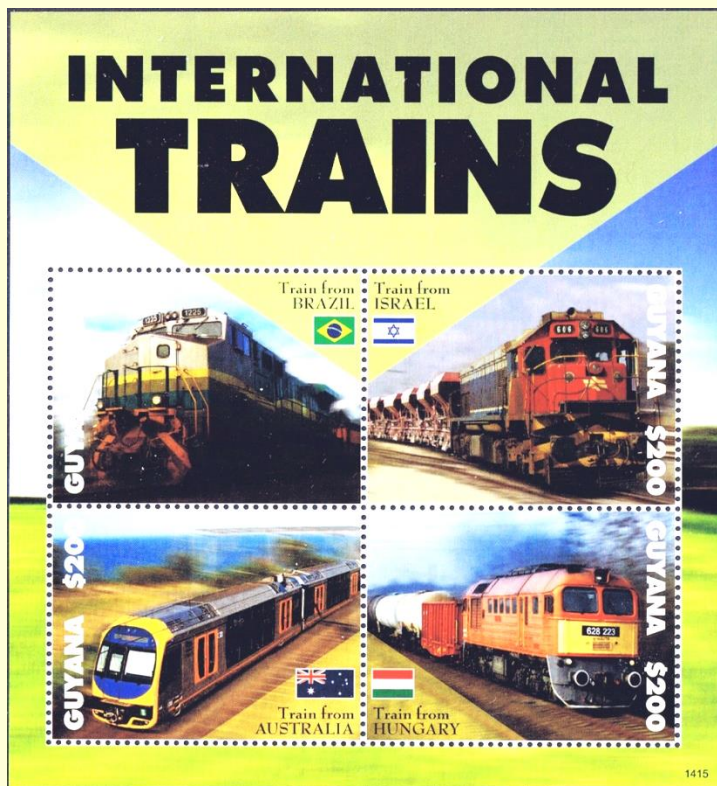
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# Stamps with Trains of Other Countries

Trains were usually popular on postage stamps. But when the postal issuing agencies discovered there were collectors of anything railroad, the numbers of stamps with trains escalated many times over! Countries with few railroads printed stamps with trains from any countries – again and again!

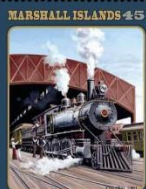


- Marshall Islands liked trains – everybody's trains!

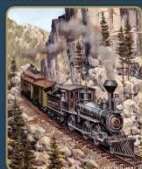




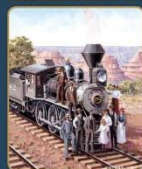
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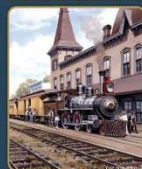
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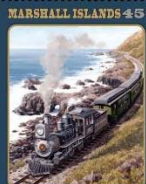
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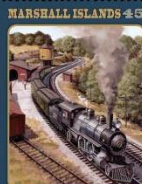
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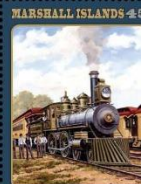
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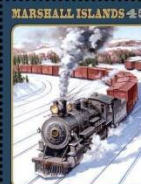
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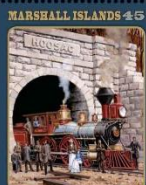
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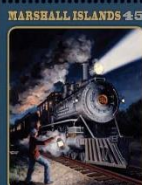
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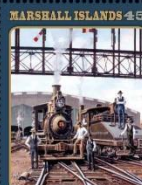
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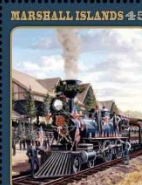
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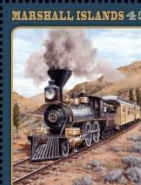
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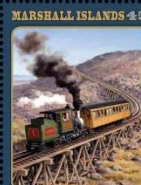
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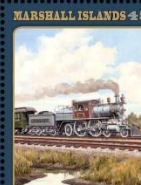
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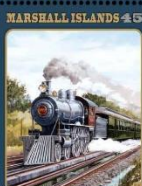
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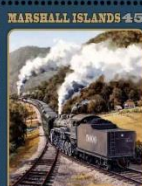
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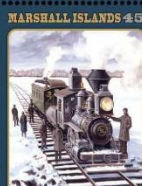
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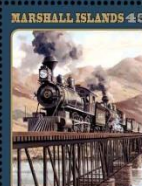
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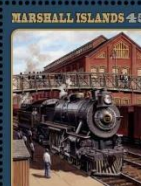
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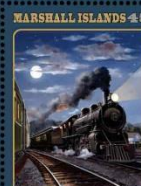
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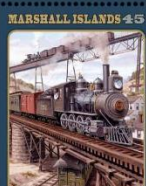
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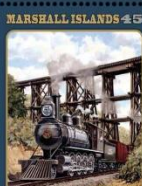
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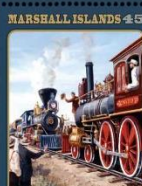
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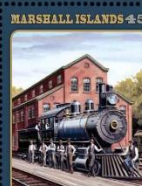
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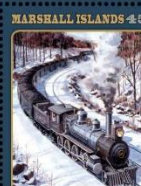
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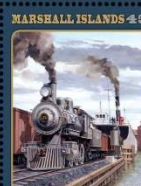
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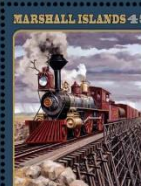
Washington



West Virginia



Wisconsin



Wyoming

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# OF THE 50 STATES

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- A few more 'foreign' trains

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# Train stamps from countries with *no trains*!

- (maybe they are jealous!)

Tuvalu is a group of 9 small islands. The total area of ALL the islands is 10 square miles. It is 16 feet above sea level. Fishing is their main stay. There are no railroads.





# Trolleys – Trams – Streetcars



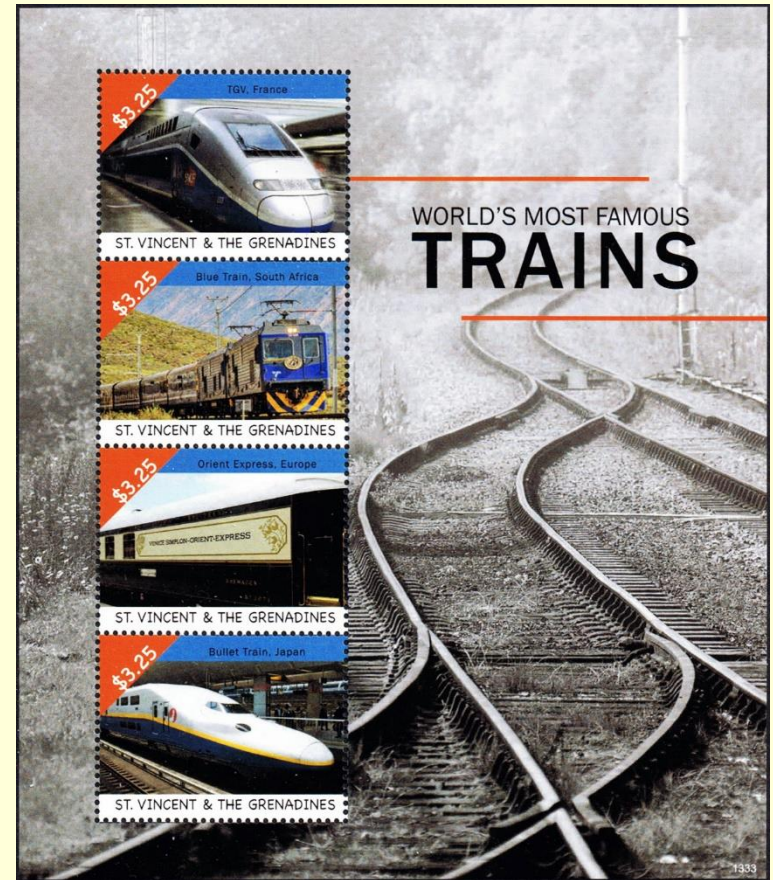
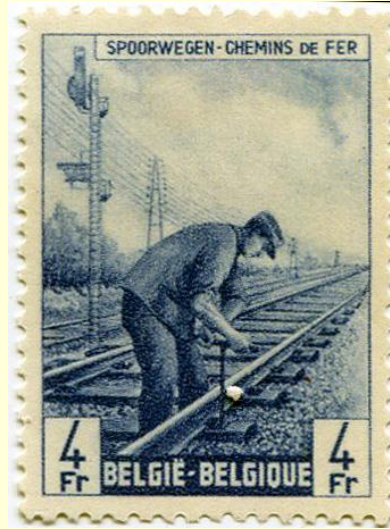
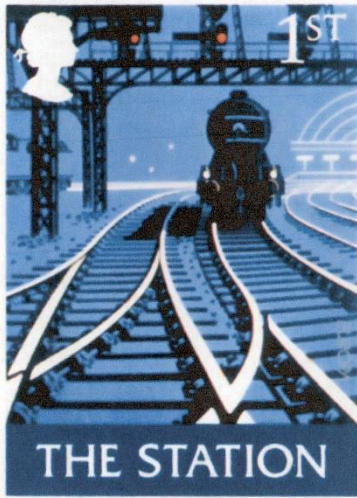


...and cable cars!



# To run a railroad you will need:

- Tracks



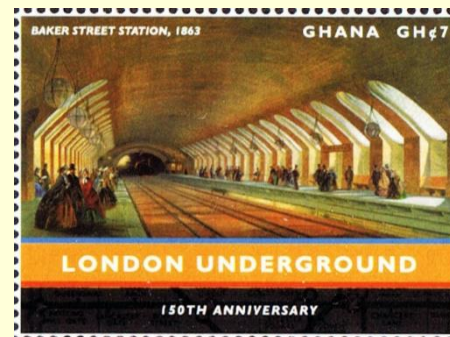


- Signals, lights and special equipment



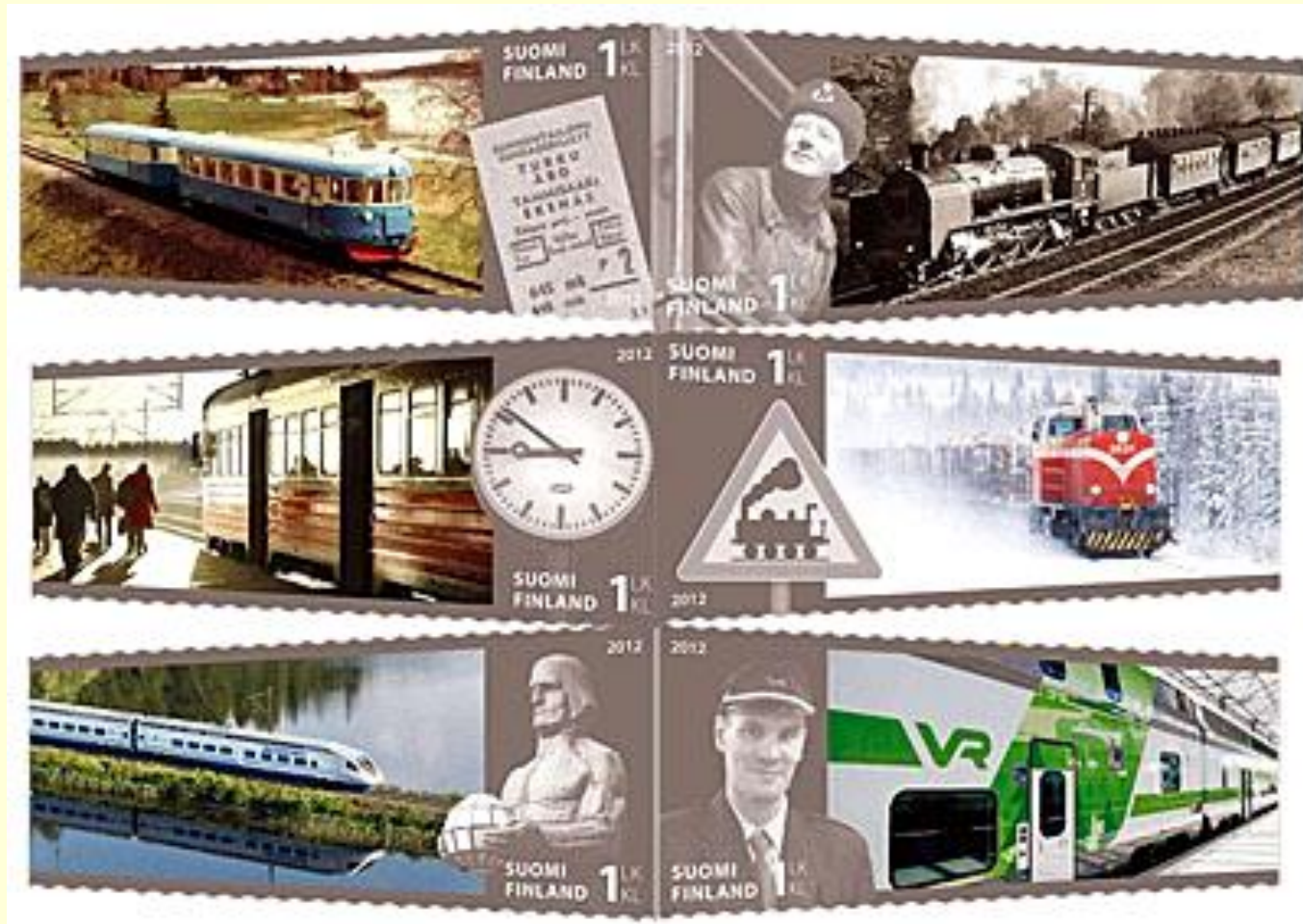


# • Passengers and Stations





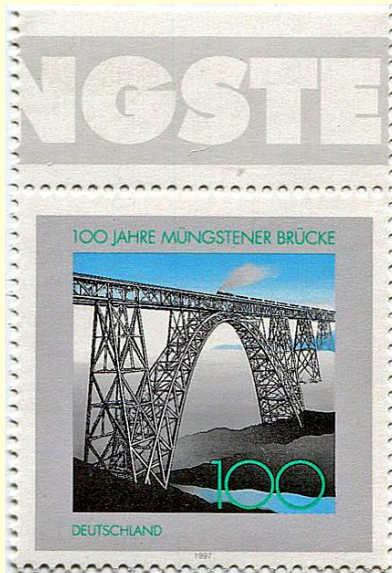
# Railroads also need:



**Finland had the right idea – besides showing trains past and present, they added: tickets, engineer, station clock, signs, a tourist attraction, and the conductor.**

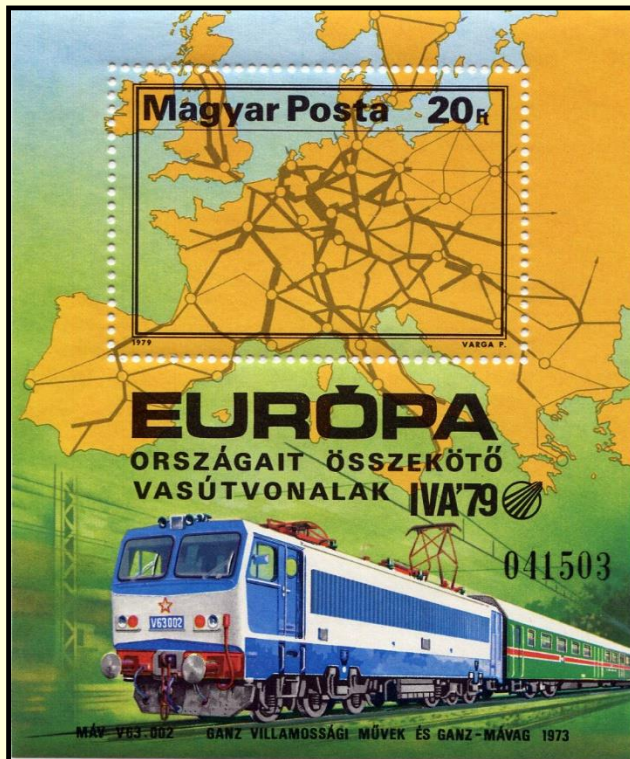
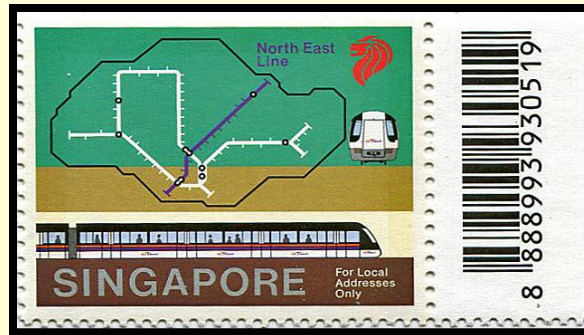
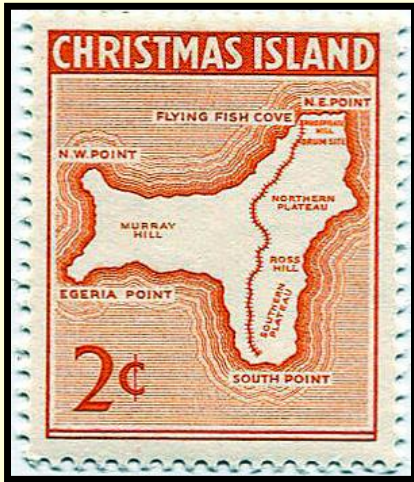


- Railroad Bridges





- Rail related maps





# People, and...

- So many people are listed, that had a hand in railroads, that we include just one:



...and one dog!

**OWNEY the POSTAL DOG**





# Train Stamps on Covers



A little mystery – date of postmark? (stamp issued in 1869)

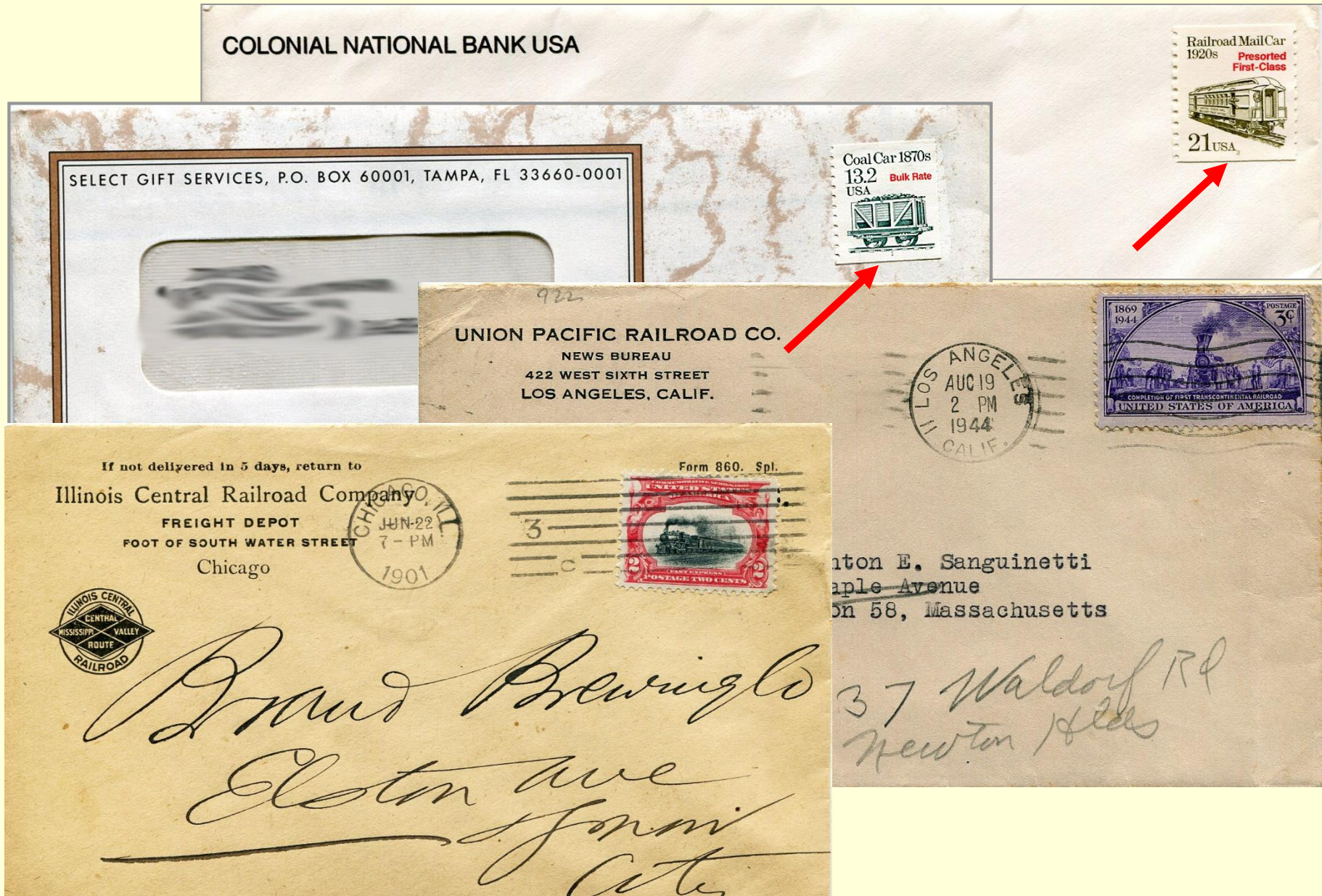


- Foreign Mail





- Commercial & RR Covers





- RR Perfins

Junction Reports  
FROM  
THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD  
Office of Sup't Car Service  
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313 BRANIFF BLDG  
TULSA 3 OKLA.



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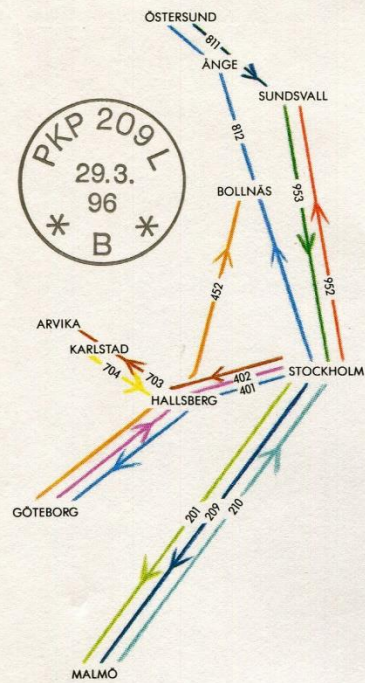


- Railroad Post Office





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• FIRST DAY COVER



# • Event Covers

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"Across the Continent"  
for winning  
Champion of Champions  
at STaMpsHOW 93

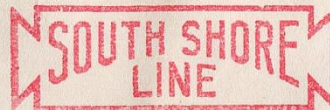




- Railroad meters

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GENERAL OFFICE  
MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA

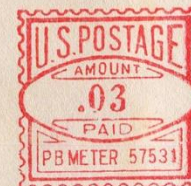
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Interstate Commerce Commission  
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- And then we have Train Wrecks





And lots more on stamps - - trains as toys,  
trains in art, legends, movies –





# That's all, folks!

